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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Parts mailed January 17, 2007, submitted herewith is the Inventor's Declaration. The amount of \$65.00 (small entity) in payment of the surcharge due is also submitted electronically herewith.

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

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